

West Des Moines Fire Department MAY, 2013



UPCOMING DATES

- ♦ Support officer Scott Davis- AHA Heart Walk- Public Safety Teams- June 15, 2013 09:00 a.m. State Capitol
- **♦July 23rd- RAGBRAI IS COMING TO TOWN**

ON THE SPOTS

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVMENTS

<u>Eric Brenneman</u> – Iowa Certified Instructor I; <u>Deputy Chief Eslick; Fire Marshal Whitsell;</u> <u>F/F Ryan Knowles</u>- Fire Department Instructors' Conference (Indianapolis); <u>Investigator O'Connell</u> – NFPA 1033 for Fire Investigators; <u>Lt. John Gallagher</u> – ALICE-Active Shooter training

HOW IMPORTANT ARE SMOKE DETECTORS???

VERY!!!!! And we probably need to change our culture a little..... at almost all calls(including EMS) ask or check the occupants about their smoke detectors and offer to test them. You may find that they appreciate your concern about their safety. If you have spare batteries (Mike has a lot) you could even replace non-working ones.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

On Tuesday April 30th, Boy Scouts from Waukee Troop 182 participated in a community service project at Fire Station 22 "Westside". The boys earn 2 hours of service time in support of rank advancements: Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and eventually Eagle Scout. The boys washed and waxed T225 and E221, cleaning both the exterior and interior of the trucks.

The Boy Scouts of America feel that "Doing service projects together is one way that Boy Scouts keep their promise "to help other people." While a Scout should do his best to help other people every day, a group service project is a bigger way to help people. While you're giving service, you're learning to work together with others to do something that's good for your community."

Lt. Garza

All Photos taken by our Photographer Yoshi Tamura





WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU LOOKED AT SHAREPOINT???

Some items that have been added include: City Council and FD Visioning Fire Council Actions Station Locations South of the River Lots of Photos

Michelle has added these:

a list of frequently used forms and information you can find and print in SharePoint.

- * Fire Fighter License Plate Application Form
- * Travel and Training Request Form
- * Expense Report Form
- * Bid Tabulation Form
- * WDM FD Roster
- * WDM FD Seniority List

These files are all located in SharePoint under Public Safety/Fire/Administration.

A lot of Public Education/Relations Lately:

CITIZEN'S FIRE ACADEMY UNDER THE DIRECTION OF CORRY DOLBEER.









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ANNUAL GIRLS' SOFTBALL PARADE











CITIZEN'S FIRE ACADEMY



Former member Lt. Ryan Pietzsch and his wife, Lee, at the 2013 "rainy" Kentucky Derby.



DON'T RUN THE POLICE

It seems that Lt. Gathercole and F/F Tyrone Belle have some law enforcement skills. Ask them about their recent capture. What would you do if you had run away and ended on the ground with Tyrone looking down at you? Would you try to get up and run again?

RUNNERS THAT MADE IT

The only WDM F/Fs that reported in from Dam to Dam was Deputy Chief Greg Jones from the 20K and Chief Cox from the 5K. Chief Cox noted you are getting old when you can finish in the top 15 in your age category (there aren't as many that old still running).